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## PESTICIDE EPISODE TRANMITTAL

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**DATE:** October 23, 2013

**SUBJECT:** Transmittal of the following High Level Episode in hard copies

| Pesticide Notification Record | Episode 15-Day Report | Episode Closing Report |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
|                               |                       | 48-VEN-12              |
|                               |                       | 36-SD-13               |
| 43-SBT-13                     | 43-SBT-13             |                        |
| 44-RIV-13                     |                       | 44-RIV-13              |
| 45-RIV-13                     |                       |                        |
| 46-STA-13                     | 46-STA-13             |                        |
|                               |                       | 47-RIV-13              |
| 48-FRE-13                     | 48-FRE-13             |                        |
| 49-FRE-13                     | 49-FRE-13             |                        |
| 50-MON-13                     | 50-MON-13             |                        |
| 51-LA-13                      |                       | 51-LA-13               |
| 52-MON-13                     |                       |                        |
| 53-SCL-13                     | 53-SCL-13             |                        |
| 54-SOL-13                     |                       | 54-SOL-13              |
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Total Number of Notification Record: 11  
 Total Number of 15-Day Report: 6  
 Total Number of Closing Report: 6  
**TOTAL:** 23

EPA recd  
 10/24/13

## PESTICIDE EPISODE NOTIFICATION RECORD

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CHECK IF CONTINUED ON PAGE 2 ☐ADDITIONAL SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT ATTACHED: ☐ YES ☒ NO

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|--|------------------------|--|--------------------------------|--------------|
| RECEIVED BY<br>Valerie Wilson  | FROM<br>Michelle Oriel | REPRESENTING<br>Worker Health and Safety | DATE RECEIVED<br>10/07/13      | TIME<br>0800 |
| PRIORITY INVESTIGATION<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES # 53-SCL-13 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO   |                        | COUNTY OF OCCURRENCE<br>Santa Clara      | DATE OF OCCURRENCE<br>10/05/13 | TIME<br>1735 |
| TYPE OF EPISODE (Check one or more)<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> HUMAN EFFECTS # 1 <input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMIC LOSS \$ <input type="checkbox"/> ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS <input type="checkbox"/> SPECIAL INCIDENTS |                        | EPISODE LOCATION<br>Gilroy               |                                |              |
|  |                        | NEAREST CROSS STREETS<br>Unknown         | SECTION                        | TOWNSHIP     |
|  |                        |  | RANGE                          | B AND M      |

BASIS - PLEASE CHECK ALL APPLICABLE BOXES IF IT **APPEARS** THAT ANY OF THE FOLLOWING APPLIES:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> DEATH   | <input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMIC LOSS - \$50,000 OR MORE   | <input type="checkbox"/> LAND - CLEAN UP \$50,000 OR MORE      | <input type="checkbox"/> DOMESTICATED ANIMALS - 5 OR MORE |
| <input type="checkbox"/> IN-PATIENT STATUS - LESS THAN 24 HOURS            | <input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMIC LOSS - 20% OF CROP YIELD  | <input type="checkbox"/> ANIMALS NON-TARGET FISH - 500 OR MORE | <input type="checkbox"/> SPECIAL INCIDENTS - TRIBES       |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> IN-PATIENT STATUS - MORE THAN 24 HOURS | <input type="checkbox"/> DRINKING WATER - 10 OR MORE HOMES  | <input type="checkbox"/> ANIMALS NON-TARGET BIRDS - 50 OR MORE | <input type="checkbox"/> SPECIAL INCIDENTS - STATES       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 5 OR MORE PEOPLE - SYMPTOMS                       | <input type="checkbox"/> AIR - 5 OR MORE PEOPLE EVACUATED   | <input type="checkbox"/> LISTED ENDANGERED SPECIES - 1 OR MORE | <input type="checkbox"/> SPECIAL INCIDENTS - EQUIPMENT    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMIC LOSS - \$20,000 - \$49,999               | <input type="checkbox"/> LAND - 1/2 ACRE OR MORE FOR 1 YEAR | <input type="checkbox"/> HIGH PRIORITY - ENDANGERED SPECIES    | <input type="checkbox"/> SPECIAL INCIDENTS - OTHER        |

| NAME OF PESTICIDE/MANUFACTURER | REGISTRATION # FROM LABEL | CAT. | DOSE/DILUTION/VOLUME | COMMODITY/SITE TREATED | DATE     |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------|------|----------------------|------------------------|----------|
| Prozap Zinc Phosphate Oat Bait | unknown                   |      | unknown              | N/A                    | 10/05/13 |
|                                |                           |      |                      |                        |          |
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| NAME OF PERSON(S)  | SEX | ADDRESS (Number and Street, City, State, ZIP Code) | OCCUPATION | AGE     |
|--------------------|-----|--|------------|---------|
| 1. Isabelle Romero | F   | Unknown  | N/A        | 14 mos. |
| 2.                 |     |  |            |         |
| 3.                 |     |  |            |         |
| 4.                 |     |  |            |         |
| 5.                 |     |  |            |         |

DESCRIPTION OF EPISODE/DAMAGE (Continue on page 2, if necessary):

On October 8, 2013 Santa Clara County Commissioner's Office received notice from the California Poison Control that on October 5, a 14 month old female, [REDACTED] ingested an unknown amount of Prozap Zinc Phosphate Oat Bait at her grandfather's residence in Gilroy. I. [REDACTED] and her five year old brother entered an unlocked storage area where the bait had been placed on a Styrofoam plate on the floor. She had bait on her hands and in her mouth. Her brother did not consume any of the bait. On October 9, Santa Clara County Commissioner's Office verified that she had been admitted to Santa Clara Valley Hospital with a fever, vomiting, tachycardia and nasal discharge. The hospital administered Zofran, Tylenol and charcoal. She was released on Sunday, October 6, and is scheduled for a follow up visit.

Santa Clara County is continuing the investigating of the incident.

PERSON/FIRM ALLEGEDLY RESPONSIBLE FOR EPISODE/DAMAGE:

Unknown at this time

IF ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS OR PROPERTY LOSS: OWNER

ADDRESS (Number and Street, City, State, ZIP Code)

INVESTIGATING AGENCY/INVESTIGATOR:

Santa Clara County Agricultural Commissioners Office

SUSPECTED VIOLATIONS:

Unknown at this time

| AGENCY NOTIFICATION                    | DATE RECORD SENT |
|--|------------------|
| U.S. EPA: Ms. Fabiola Estrada          | 10/08/13         |
| CAC: Joe Diviney                       | 10/08/13         |
| DIR: Ms. Amalia Neidhardt              | 10/08/13         |
| DPH: Dr. Rachel Roisman                | 10/08/13         |
| OEHA: Dr. William Ngai, Joy Wisniewski | 10/08/13         |
| Cal/EPA:                               |                  |
| OTHER: Michelle Thom                   | 10/08/13         |

DPR ROUTING:

Andrews, Benson, Everett, Fadipe, Farnsworth, Francone, Frenkel, Guerra, Jetter, Lee, Lopez, Marade, Martin, Motakef, Oriel, Richmond, Ross, Sarracino, Shattuck, C. Smith, Verder-Carlos, Yanga, Zeiss

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**PESTICIDE EPISODE 15-DAY REPORT**

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| PRIORITY INVESTIGATION NUMBER<br><b>53-SCL-13</b> | NOTIFICATION DATE<br><b>10/09/13</b> | PRIORITY EPISODE 15-DAY REPORT DUE DATE<br><b>10/23/13</b> | ADDITIONAL SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT ATTACHED? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO |
|---|--------------------------------------|--|--|

BRIEF SUMMARY OF THE CURRENT STATUS OF THE INVESTIGATION (*County Agricultural Commissioner's Initial Findings*):**Notification:**

On October 7, 2013, Santa Clara County Commissioner's Office received notice from the California Poison Control that on October 5, a 14 month old female, [REDACTED] ingested an unknown amount of Prozap Zinc Phosphide Oat Bait at her grandfather's residence in Gilroy. [REDACTED] and her five year old brother entered an unlocked storage area where the bait had been placed on a Styrofoam plate on the floor. She had bait on her hands and in her mouth. Her brother did not consume any of the bait. On October 9, Santa Clara County Commissioner's Office verified that she had been admitted to Santa Clara Valley Hospital with a fever, vomiting, tachycardia and nasal discharge. The hospital administered Zofran, Tylenol and charcoal. She was released on Sunday, October 6, and is scheduled for a follow up visit.

**Update:**

On October 7, 2013, the Santa Clara County Commissioner's Office (CAC) contacted [REDACTED]'s mother, [REDACTED] Ms. [REDACTED] clarified that the children entered an unlocked bedroom that was being used as a storage area. The bait had been placed in a paper plate on the floor for rodents that have been invading the home from the surrounding fields. Ms. [REDACTED] declined to reveal the address where the incident had occurred or the name of the family member who had been given the unlabeled bag of bait by a friend. Neither Ms. [REDACTED] or any other family member was able to confirm the name of the product for hospital staff. Ms. [REDACTED] offered to speak to her husband about trying to get the name of the pesticide and where it had been obtained from.

The CAC left a message for Ms. [REDACTED] on October 15, and again on October 21, 2013 in an attempt to request a medical information authorization, gain the name and origin of the bait and disposal of the remaining product. It is unknown if [REDACTED] has seen a physician following her release from the hospital.

SUSPECTED VIOLATIONS (*Include brief description*)

Unknown at this time

PRIORITY INVESTIGATION PROJECTED COMPLETION DATE

☐ WITHIN 45 DAYS☐ WITHIN 60 DAYS☒ WITHIN 75 DAYS

IF NOT COMPLETED WITHIN 75 DAYS, THE CAC MUST NOTIFY THE EBL ON FORM PR-ENF-097 (PESTICIDE ILLNESS INVESTIGATION REQUEST FOR TIME EXTENSION) AND EXPLAIN THE REASON FOR THE DELAY.

CONTEMPLATED ENFORCEMENT ACTION

☐ COMPLIANCE ACTION☐ ADMINISTRATIVE CIVIL PENALTY # \_\_\_\_\_☒ OTHER☐ EPA ACTION REQUESTED

DPR ROUTING

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AGENCY NOTIFICATION

DATE REPORT SENT

U.S.EPA: Ms. Fabiola Estrada

10/22/13

OTHER:

REPORT PREPARED BY (*Please print*):

Valerie A. Wilson

TELEPHONE NUMBER (*Including Area Code*)

(559) 243-8122

DATE

10/22/13